Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 22 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 23 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 21 Apr 2023 at 11:57 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for change to more unsettled weather than off late, medium too low for the extent of showers, for Sunday.

Headline for Saturday 22 Apr 2023: Dry and prolonged sunshine. Brisk easterly winds. Freezing level 1000-1200m.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 22 Apr 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Saturday 22 Apr 2023

Weather: Dry with prolonged clear then sunny periods for the majority. However cloud building in the east during the evening, bringing a small chance of some late patchy light rain and summit snow here towards midnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% or more by day

Low Cloud and visibility: Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor later in rain, very poor in snow and within cloud with bases lowering infrequently to 600m in east late evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	22/28 E	21/27 NE	25/33 NE	28/38 NE	24/35 NE	23/33 NE	21/30 NE	21/29 NE	19/27 NE
900	18/25 E	18/24 E	21/29 NE	23/32 NE	21/30 NE	17/26 NE	17/26 NE	16/24 NE	15/22 NE
600	18/23 NE	16/22 NE	20/27 NE	20/29 NE	20/30 NE	21/31 NE	20/28 NE	18/26 NE	16/24 NE
300	9/14 N	11/18 NE	12/18 N	15/23 N	15/24 NE	16/26 NE	14/25 NE	11/21 NE	9/19 NE
Glen	9/21 NE	9/22 NE	10/21 NE	13/24 NE	13/25 NE	11/21 NE	12/24 NE	10/21 NE	8/17 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	2/-4	1/-5	1/-5	1/-6	2/-4	3/-3	1/-6	-0/-7	-2/-8
900	3/-2	2/-4	2/-4	4/-1	7/2	7/2	3/-2	1/-5	1/-5
600	6/2	3/-1	4/-1	5/0	8/4	7/3	5/1	3/-2	3/-2
300	6/4	5/2	5/1	8/4	11/8	10/7	8/5	6/2	5/2
Glen	8/6	6/4	6/3	10/8	13/10	13/11	11/8	8/5	7/5
Freezing Level*	1200m	1000m	800m	900m	1100m	1300m	1200m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
As with the last week sunburn in exposure. Some severe wind chill across higher peaks.

Forecast for Sunday 23 Apr 2023
Weather: Rather cloudy with showers these occasional towards the southern end of the Great Glen and across the Trossachs but isolated over the Isles. Snow level 800m lowering 300m or less from early evening.

Maximum wind: North or northeast mean 25-30mph with gusts reaching 40-45mph across most exposed ridges and summits.Winds easing late in day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50% in north 80% in south

Low Cloud and visibility: Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in rain showers, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases occasionally in north and east, infrequently elsewhere lowering 500m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 Celsius increasing 8 Celsius for afternoon
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius decreasing minus 4 Celsius by days end
Freezing level: 900m lowering 400m

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